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USS MARATHON

USS TACOMA

USS WELCH

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SUBJECT: PORT VISITS IN MALAYSIA BY US PGS

REF: A. COMSEVENTHFLT 110958Z FEB 74 TO USDAO KL (NOTAL)

B. USDAO KL 070830Z FEB 74 TO COMSEVENTHFLT (NOTAL)

C. COMSEVENTHFLT 052238Z FEB 74 TO DAO (NOTAL)

D. CTF SEVENTY SIX 040950Z FEB 74 TO COMSEVENTHFLT (NOTAL)

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1. SUMMARY: PER COMSEVENTHFLT REQUEST (REF A), EMBASSY HAS

FORMALLY ASKED MALAYSIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA)
CLEARANCE FOR VISITS TO PORT KLANG AND PENANG OF THREE US PATROL
GUNBOATS (PG). MFA FEB 15 ASKED WHETHER US SHIPS EN ROUTE FROM OR
TO INDIAN OCEAN AS THIS WOULD POSE FOREIGN RELATIONS PROBLEMS
FOR MALAYSIAN GOVT (GOM). GUIDANCE REQUESTED. END SUMMARY.

- 2. REF D REQUESTED COMSEVENTHFLT OBTAIN DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE FOR VISIT BY USS MARATHON (PG-89), TACOMA (PG-92) AND WELCH (PG-93) TO PORT KLANG (MAR 14-18) AND PENANG (MAR 19-21).
  REF C REQUESTED DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE FROM USDAO KUALA LUMPUR. REF B ADVISED COMSEVENTHFLT BUNKERS NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE MALAYSIAN PORTS FOR US NAVAL SHIPS AND THAT WE WERE DOUBTFUL GOM WOULD APPROVE BACK-TO-BACK VISITS. COMSEVENTHFLT CONFIRMED (REF A) DESIRE FOR CLEARANCE SINCE THIS LAST OPPORTUNITY FOR PG VISITS TO MALAYSIA WHOSE NAVY PRIMARY EQUIPPED WITH PG. DIPLOMATIC NOTE CONTAINING SUBJECT REQUEST FORWARDED MFA FEB 12 WITH FOLLOW-UP LETTER TO RMN CHIEF OF STAFF.
- 3. EMBASSY QUEIRIED FEB 15 BY MFA PRINCIPAL ASST SECRETARY (PAS) RESPONSIBLE FOR AMERICAN AFFAIRS WHETHER PG'S EN ROUTE TO OR FROM INDIAN OCEAN AS THIS WOULD POSE QUOTE PROBLEMS UNQUOTE FOR GOM. PAS INFORMED THAT WHILE WE ALMOST CERTAIN PG'S WOULD COME FROM AND RETURN TO SOUTH CHINA SEA, WE WOULD CONFIRM THIS AND LET HIM KNOW.
- 4. ACTION: EMBASSY REQUESTS CONFIRMATION FROM COMSEVENTHFLT SHIPS NOT PART OF US NAVAL OPERATIONS IN INDIAN OCEAN.
- 5. JOINT EMB-DAO MESSAGE. UNDERHILL

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